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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
: Examiner: M. Bell  
MASAKAZU MATSUGU )  
: Group Art Unit: 2121  
Application No.: 09/878,296 )  
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Filed: June 12, 2001 )  
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For: APPARATUS AND METHOD )  
FOR DETECTING OR )  
RECOGNIZING PATTERN )  
BY EMPLOYING A )  
PLURALITY OF FEATURE )  
DETECTING ELEMENTS : September 7, 2004

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 7, 2004, the term for responding to which having been extended to September 7, 2004 by the accompanying Petition For Extension Of Time, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first-class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P. O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on

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